

HART-TEETER  
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Interviews: 1566 respondents  
1284 registered voters  
282 nonregistered voters  
Dates: June, 1996

48 Male  
52 Female  
[5]

**FINAL**

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[6] [7]	[8]	[9] [10] [11]	[12]		[13] [14] 1996

**PLEASE NOTE: EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED, QUESTIONS WERE ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS**

QUESTIONS ASKED OF ALL ADULTS: 1, 10a-10e, C1-C15, and F2-F13

QUESTIONS ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS: 2-9, 11-16, 17a-24, AND F1-F13

**NOTE:** Except where otherwise noted, results from previous surveys are among **all adults**.

1. Are you currently registered to vote in the precinct or election district in which you now live, or haven't you had a chance to register yet?

Registered .....	82	<b>CONTINUE</b>	[15]
Not registered.....	17	<b>ASK SHORT</b>	
Not sure.....	1	<b>QUESTIONNAIRE</b>	

2. All in all, do you think things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?<sup>1</sup>

	6/96	5/96	3/96	1/96	12/9	11/9	10/9	9/9	7/9	6/95	4/21
		+			5	5	5	5	5		
										25/9	5
Right direction...	30	28	29	25	30	25	26	27	27	27	33
Wrong track.....	50	52	54	54	50	57	54	50	51	51	45
Mixed (VOL).....	14	15	12	14	14	12	15	17	16	15	15
Not sure.....	6	5	5	7	6	6	5	6	6	7	7

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3a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Bill Clinton is doing as president?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>11/95</u>	<u>10/95</u>	<u>9/95</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>6/95</u>	<u>4/21</u> - <u>25/9</u>
			<u>+</u>								
Approve.....	53	52	51	46	51	49	46	46	47	46	50 [1 7]
Disapprove.....	38	40	39	43	40	42	43	43	44	42	39
Not sure.....	9	8	10	11	9	9	11	11	9	12	11
	<u>4/3-</u> <u>4/95</u>	<u>3/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	<u>11/9/94</u>	<u>+</u> <u>+</u>	<u>11/4-</u> <u>5/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>7/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>
	46	44	45	48	43	44	48	44	49	49	52
	44	45	43	44	48	44	43	48	44	44	39
	10	11	12	8	9	12	9	8	7	7	9
	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/93</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	<u>1/93</u>
	57	55	60	56	47	50	45	41	52	57	51
	37	36	31	33	43	39	45	50	34	26	16
	6	9	9	11	10	11	10	9	14	17	33

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3b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Bill Clinton is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/95</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>6/95</u>	<u>4/21-</u> <u>25/9</u>
		<u>+</u>								
Approve.....	52	53	50	44	47	42	42	48	43	52 [1 8]
Disapprove.....	40	38	42	47	43	46	47	42	48	39
Not sure.....	8	9	8	9	10	12	11	10	9	9
	<u>3/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>7/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	
	43	50	46	44	40	45	48	43	47	
	46	38	46	47	51	46	41	46	43	
	11	12	8	9	9	9	11	11	10	
	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/93</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>		
	50	48	40	42	40	33	45	52		
	39	39	50	48	51	56	40	28		
	11	13	10	10	9	11	15	20		

3c. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Bill Clinton is doing in handling our foreign policy?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/95</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>6/95</u>	
	*	<u>+</u>								
Approve.....	49	48	48	49	46	42	42	37	39	 [1 9]
Disapprove.....	37	42	42	38	44	45	45	48	46	
Not sure.....	14	10	10	13	10	13	13	15	15	
	<u>25/9</u>	<u>3/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>7/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>5/9</u>	
	5	4	4	4	4	32	34	34	36	
	46	37	50	44	45	32	34	34	36	
	41	47	38	45	46	60	54	54	51	
	13	16	12	11	9	8	12	12	13	
	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/9</u>	
	3	3	3	3	3					

47	53	45	33	47	50	38	47	47
39	31	40	58	34	36	43	30	22
14	16	15	9	19	14	19	23	31

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?<sup>1</sup>

	6/96*	5/96 + 6	3/9 6	1/96 5	12/9 5	10/9 5	9/9 5	7/9 5	6/95 5	4/21- 25/9 5	4/3 4/9 5
Approve.....	26	25	25	26	32	31	30	36	43	47	42
Disapprove.....	61	68	64	65	57	59	58	53	43	40	44
Not sure.....	13	7	11	9	11	10	12	11	14	13	14

5. I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and institutions, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
<b>Bill Clinton<sup>1</sup></b>							[21]
June 1996.....	21	29	14	15	21	-	
May 1996+.....	20	31	15	15	19	-	
March 1996.....	18	33	17	14	18	-	
January 1996.....	17	29	16	18	19	1	
December 1995.....	18	31	15	18	18	-	
October 1995.....	16	31	19	18	16	-	
September 1995.....	15	32	15	20	17	1	
July 1995.....	15	34	17	17	17	-	
June 1995.....	13	33	19	19	16	-	
April 21-25, 1995.....	19	30	19	17	15	-	
<b>Newt Gingrich<sup>1</sup></b>							[22]
June 1996.....	7	14	21	20	33	5	
May 1996+.....	7	15	18	21	33	6	
March 1996.....	6	16	21	18	33	6	
January 1996.....	7	16	17	20	34	6	
December 1995.....	9	18	16	18	33	6	
October 1995.....	9	19	21	17	26	8	
September 1995.....	8	19	19	16	27	11	
July 1995.....	11	18	19	17	25	10	
June 1995.....	10	17	18	17	21	17	
April 21-25, 1995.....	11	20	18	13	23	15	
April 3-4, 1995.....	9	18	20	14	25	14	
<b>Michael Jordan</b>							[23]
June 1996*.....	31	25	23	4	5	12	

<sup>1</sup> Only selected months of comparable data are shown.

+ Asked only of registered voters.

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q.5 (cont'd)	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
<b>Colin Powell<sup>1</sup></b>							<b>[24]</b>
June 1996.....	38	32	19	3	3	5	
May 1996+.....	35	30	19	5	3	8	
December 1995.....	28	33	24	5	4	6	
October 1995.....	21	33	28	6	2	10	
September 1995.....	22	30	26	6	3	13	
July 1995.....	23	31	22	5	3	16	
June 1995.....	25	32	21	4	1	17	
April 21-25, 1995.....	26	30	20	4	2	18	
March 1995.....	28	30	22	4	1	15	
September 1994.....	33	25	19	4	2	17	
October 1993.....	35	30	15	4	1	15	
September 1993.....	32	27	17	4	3	17	
<b>The Democratic Party<sup>1</sup></b>							<b>[25]</b>
June 1996.....	17	29	23	15	15	1	
May 1996+.....	14	29	23	15	17	2	
March 1996.....	13	28	25	19	12	3	
December 1995.....	11	28	24	21	14	2	
October 1995.....	13	24	27	21	12	3	
April 21-25, 1995.....	13	26	27	20	12	2	
April 3-4 1995.....	9	26	29	21	13	2	
January 1995.....	11	27	27	19	13	3	
December 1994.....	10	23	25	24	16	2	
October 1994.....	13	23	25	20	17	2	
June 1994.....	12	29	25	19	12	3	
<b>The Republican Party<sup>1</sup></b>							<b>[26]</b>
June 1996.....	11	25	24	21	17	2	
May 1996+.....	11	28	20	21	17	3	
March 1996.....	10	27	22	22	17	2	
December 1995.....	12	28	22	19	17	2	
October 1995.....	12	28	24	17	17	2	
April 21-25, 1995.....	15	29	23	17	14	2	
April 3-4, 1995.....	15	29	25	15	14	2	
January 1995.....	17	33	25	13	9	3	
December 1994.....	17	31	22	14	13	3	
October 1994.....	14	27	26	16	14	3	
June 1994.....	10	27	27	18	14	4	

<sup>1</sup> Only selected months of comparable data are shown.

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Q.5 (cont'd)	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
<b>Elizabeth Dole</b>							[28]
June 1996**.....	15	21	34	7	6	17	
May 1996+.....	13	25	30	8	7	17	
March 1996.....	10	20	31	9	6	24	
<b>Hillary Rodham Clinton<sup>1</sup></b>							
June 1996.....	13	22	19	17	28	1	
May 1996+.....	14	20	19	17	27	3	
March 1996.....	15	23	18	16	26	2	
January 1996.....	13	22	19	19	25	2	
December 1995.....	19	27	19	12	21	2	
September 1995.....	19	25	19	15	20	2	
July 1995.....	16	27	21	14	20	2	
June 1995.....	17	24	20	16	21	2	
April 21-25, 1995.....	22	21	20	13	21	3	
March 1995.....	14	26	22	14	22	2	
January 1995.....	18	22	21	14	23	2	
<b>Al Gore<sup>1</sup></b>							[29]
June 1996*.....	16	24	31	13	12	4	
May 1996+.....	12	32	26	13	13	4	
December 1995.....	12	30	25	17	13	3	
March 1995.....	13	29	28	15	12	3	
January 1995.....	12	27	29	17	10	5	
December 1994.....	17	27	24	16	12	4	
October 1994.....	14	26	27	15	14	4	
June 1994.....	16	24	28	13	11	8	
December 1993.....	18	29	25	13	10	5	
November 1993.....	21	31	22	13	11	2	
September 1993.....	17	30	24	12	12	5	[30]

<sup>1</sup> Only selected months of comparable data are shown.

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

Q.5 (cont'd)	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
<b>Ross Perot<sup>1</sup></b>						
June 1996.....	6	17	25	22	27	3
May 1996+.....	6	17	21	26	27	3
March 1996.....	9	18	24	22	23	4
January 1996.....	7	19	27	21	22	4
December 1995.....	7	19	24	21	25	4
October 1995.....	8	19	29	21	20	3
September 1995.....	9	17	28	21	22	3
July 1995.....	5	16	26	26	24	3
December 1994.....	8	22	24	18	25	3
October 1994.....	8	17	25	18	30	2
September 1994.....	5	14	29	23	24	5
July 1994.....	8	18	26	21	24	3
						[31]
<b>Bob Dole<sup>1</sup></b>						
June 1996.....	13	27	23	18	17	2
May 1996+.....	11	28	21	21	17	2
March 1996.....	7	28	23	22	17	3
January 1996.....	10	31	24	18	13	4
December 1995.....	11	30	22	19	14	4
October 1995.....	9	27	30	16	12	6
September 1995.....	11	31	24	16	12	6
July 1995.....	13	33	25	14	10	5
June 1995.....	12	27	28	14	7	12
April 21-25, 1995.....	14	30	25	13	10	8
April 3-4, 1995.....	11	30	24	16	9	10

<sup>1</sup> Only selected months of comparable data are shown.

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6. Using a ten-point scale, please tell me how likely you are to vote in this year's elections for president and Congress. If you are certain that you will vote, pick a number closer to "8," "9," or "10." If it is less likely that you will vote, use a number closer to "1," "2," or "3." You may choose any number between one and ten.

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	<u>11/4- 5/94<sup>1</sup>+</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>+</u>	<b>[32]</b>
10, certain to vote.....	75	78	65	64		
9.....	10	8	9	12		
8.....	7	6	9	7		
7.....	2	1	4	4		
6.....	1	1	2	3		
5.....	3	2	4	4		
4.....	-	-	1	-		
3.....	1	1	1	2		
2.....	-	1	1	1		
1, less likely to vote.....	1	1	3	2		
Not sure.....	-	1	1	1		

<sup>1</sup> Prior to May 1996, the question asked, ". . . elections for Congress and state offices. . .".

+ Asked of registered voters

+ Asked only of registered voters.

7a. If the next election for president were held today, and Bill Clinton were running as the Democratic candidate and Bob Dole were the Republican candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>10/95</u>	<u>9/95</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>6/95</u>	<b>[33]</b>
Bill Clinton.....	53	54	53	47	50	46	46	45	43	
Bob Dole.....	37	37	34	40	40	39	40	43	42	
Neither/other (VOL).....	4	4	8	8	6	8	9	6	7	
Not sure <sup>1</sup> .....	6	5	5	5	4	7	5	6	8	
4/21- <u>25/95</u>										
		<u>3/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>11/9/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>7/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>10/9</u>	
				+					<u>3</u>	
	45	41	41	39	45	41	46	48	45	
	43	48	43	45	43	43	43	39	45	
	6	6	8	5	6	9	4	7	NA	
	6	5	8	11	6	7	7	6	10	

<sup>1</sup> Prior to December 1995, "not sure" includes those who volunteered "depends".

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**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO CHOOSE A CANDIDATE IN Q.7a.)**

7b. Would you definitely vote for **(CANDIDATE NAMED IN Q.7a)**, probably vote for **(CANDIDATE)** but are still thinking about it, or are you just leaning toward voting for **(CANDIDATE)**?

	Clinton Voters					
	6/9 6	5/96 +	3/96	1/96	12/95	9/95
Definitely vote for candidate.....	70	73	66	64	55	48
Probably vote for candidate/still thinking about it.....	17	16	19	19	24	28
Just leaning toward voting for candidate.....	13	10	14	16	19	22
Not sure.....	-	1	1	1	2	2

	Dole Voters					
	6/9 6	5/96 +	3/96	1/96	12/95	9/95
Definitely vote for candidate.....	66	64	52	46	40	36
Probably vote for candidate/still thinking about it.....	14	21	22	21	27	25
Just leaning toward voting for candidate.....	19	15	24	32	32	32
Not sure.....	1	-	2	1	1	7

<b>Combined results of Q.7a and 7b</b>						
	6/96	5/96 +	3/96	1/96	12/95	9/95
<b>Clinton Voters.....</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>
Definitely vote for.....	37	40	35	30	28	22
Probably/Just leaning/Not sure .....	16	14	18	17	22	24
<b>Dole Voters.....</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>
Definitely vote.....	25	23	18	19	16	14
Probably vote for/Just leaning/Not sure	12	14	16	21	24	26
<b>Undecided (Q.7a).....</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>

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7c. Which one of the following two qualities is more important to you in determining your choice of a presidential candidate -- their positions on the issues, or their personal character and values?

	All Voters	Clinton Voters	Dole Voters	
Positions on the issues.....	64	79	44	<b>[35]</b>
Personal character and values.....	27	14	44	
Neither/other (VOL).....	4	3	6	
Not sure.....	5	4	6	

7d. When it comes to voting for president, does the fact that Hillary Rodham Clinton is first lady make you more likely to vote for Bill Clinton, less likely to vote for Bill Clinton, or does it not really affect your vote for president either way?

More likely to vote for Bill Clinton.....	8	<b>[36]</b>
Less likely to vote for Bill Clinton.....	24	
Does not really affect vote.....	68	
Not sure.....	-	

7e. When it comes to voting for president, does the fact that Elizabeth Dole would be first lady make you more likely to vote for Bob Dole, less likely to vote for Bob Dole, or does it not really affect your vote for president either way?

More likely to vote for Bob Dole.....	12	[37]
Less likely to vote for Bob Dole.....	5	
Does not really affect vote.....	82	
Not sure.....	1	

7f. If the next election for president were held today and Bill Clinton were running as the Democratic candidate, Bob Dole were the Republican candidate, and Ross Perot were an independent candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/9</u>	<u>6/93</u>	
Bill Clinton.....	46	49	46	41	44	39	38	40	35	[38]
Bob Dole .....	33	31	29	34	31	33	34	35	27	
Ross Perot.....	13	12	16	16	16	18	19	17	30	
None/other (VOL).....	1	3	4	4	4	4	3	3	5	
Not sure.....	7	5	5	5	5	6	6	5	3	

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7g. If the 1996 presidential election were held today, and the Democratic candidates were Bill Clinton for president and Al Gore for vice president and the Republican candidates were Bob Dole for president and Colin Powell for vice president, for whom would you vote--Bill Clinton and Al Gore, or Bob Dole and Colin Powell?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	
Clinton and Gore.....	47	48	[39]
Dole and Powell.....	44	44	
Neither/other (VOL).....	2	3	
Not sure.....	7	5	

+ Asked only of registered voters.

8a. In this year's election for U.S. House of Representatives, do you plan to vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate in your district?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>12/95</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>11/4-</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>7/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	
Vote for the Republican candidate.....	35	36	36	34	40	39	33	31	30	29	[40]	
Vote for the Democratic candidate.....	40	39	38	36	37	36	39	35	35	35	34	
Depends (VOL).....	10	9	12	17	6	6	9	14	14	14	21	
Other/neither/won't vote (VOL)	1	2	3	3	3	5	5	5	5	5	2	
Not sure.....	14	14	11	10	14	14	14	15	16	16	14	
		<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>11/92</u>	<u>10/92+</u>	<u>9/92</u>	<u>8/92</u>	<u>7/92</u>	<u>10/9</u>		
		<u>3</u>			<u>+</u>		<u>+</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>0+</u>		
		34	29	31	35	29	32	29	31	33		
		32	32	32	45	46	43	43	35	35		
		21	24	25	4	6	7	7	11	14		
		2	2	3	1	2	1	2	3	2		
		11	13	9	15	17	17	19	20	16		

8b. From what you know, do you agree or disagree with most of what the Republicans in Congress are proposing to do?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>11/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/95</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>3/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>
		±				5	5					
Agree.....	37	37	34	34	36	36	35	32	41	46	45	49
Disagree.....	41	43	50	48	46	49	45	45	39	39	35	22
Both/mixed (VOL).....	13	13	8	7	8	8	9	13	10	8	10	9
Not sure.....	9	7	8	11	10	7	11	10	10	7	10	20

+ Asked only of registered voters.

8c. What is your preference for the outcome of the November 1996 congressional elections--a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94<sup>1</sup></u>	
Republicans.....	40	41	42	44	[42]
Democrats.....	40	38	41	38	
Both equal/neither in control (VOL).....	9	10	8	6	
Doesn't matter (VOL).....	5	4	4	5	
Not sure.....	6	7	5	7	

<sup>1</sup> In October 1994, the question referred to the 1994 congressional elections.

Now, turning to some other topics . . .

9. Which concerns you more--(ROTATE ORDER) the nation's economic problems or the nation's moral problems?

Economic problems.....	37	[43]
Moral problems.....	43	
Both (VOL).....	19	
Neither (VOL).....	-	
Not sure.....	1	

**NOTE: QUESTIONS 10a-10e WERE ASKED OF ALL ADULTS**

10a. How satisfied are you with the state of the U.S. economy today--are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the state of the economy?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/9</u>	<u>1/9</u>	<u>7/9</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	
		+	6	6	5			
Very satisfied.....	5	4	3	3	4	4	4	[44]
Somewhat satisfied.....	42	43	39	37	39	40	41	
Somewhat dissatisfied.....	33	38	37	38	35	37	38	
Very dissatisfied.....	18	14	19	19	21	18	15	
Not sure.....	2	1	2	3	1	1	2	

+ Asked only of registered voters.

10b. What is your feeling about your own financial situation today--are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with your financial situation?

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/94</u>	
Very satisfied.....	15	13	15	13	[45]
Somewhat satisfied.....	49	50	48	48	
Somewhat dissatisfied.....	22	23	24	24	
Very dissatisfied.....	13	12	12	14	
Not sure.....	1	2	1	1	

10c. Let me read you several elements relating to the current economy. For each one, please tell me if this is an area in which you feel very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied. If this does not apply to you, please just say so.

When it comes to **(READ ITEM)**, are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

*RESULTS DO NOT REFLECT RESPONSES OF THOSE WHO SAY THE ITEM DOES NOT APPLY TO THEM<sup>1</sup>*

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE OF THOSE WHO SAY VERY OR SOMEWHAT SATISFIED*

	<u>Very Satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat Satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
<b>Your current job security</b>						<b>[46]</b>
June 1996.....	38	37	12	12	1	
March 1996.....	36	37	14	12	1	
January 1996.....	30	31	10	10	19	
<b>Current interest rates</b>						<b>[47]</b>
June 1996.....	7	42	27	19	5	
March 1996.....	13	43	26	15	3	
January 1996.....	11	40	26	15	8	
<b>The amount of money you are saving</b>						<b>[48]</b>
June 1996.....	10	31	24	33	2	
March 1996.....	10	31	25	32	2	
January 1996.....	8	29	27	33	3	
<b>Job opportunities in the area you live in<sup>2</sup></b>						<b>[49]</b>
June 1996.....	14	29	23	29	5	
March 1996.....	13	31	25	28	3	
January 1996.....	11	27	25	27	10	
<b>Your retirement security</b>						<b>[50]</b>
June 1996.....	18	34	20	25	3	
March 1996.....	16	36	21	25	2	
January 1996.....	16	34	20	25	5	
<b>The rate of inflation</b>						<b>[51]</b>
June 1996.....	8	28	29	29	6	
March 1996.....	9	29	30	27	5	
January 1996.....	8	26	32	27	7	
<b>Your opportunities for career advancement</b>						<b>[52]</b>
June 1996.....	23	37	20	18	2	
March 1996.....	22	39	20	16	3	
January 1996.....	16	33	18	12	21	
<b>Your income keeping up with the cost of living</b>						<b>[53]</b>
June 1996.....	12	34	26	27	1	
March 1996.....	11	38	26	24	1	
January 1996.....	11	35	27	25	2	

<sup>1</sup> Comparative data reflects results among all respondents; those who said the item does not apply to them were included in "not sure."

<sup>2</sup>Prior to June 1996, the item read "Job opportunities in your area".

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	
Satisfied (score of 61 to 100).....	31	29		<b>[280]</b>
Mixed (score of 40 to 60).....	36	37		
Dissatisfied (score of 0 to 39).....	33	34		
Average score.....	49	48		

<sup>1</sup> Index is calculated based on responses to Q.10a, 10b, and 10c.

10d. Do you think that your family's income is going up faster than the cost of living, staying about even with the cost of living, or falling behind the cost of living?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>5/96</u>	
	*	+	
Going up faster.....	9	10	<b>[54]</b>
Staying about even.....	38	37	
Falling behind.....	49	51	
None/other (VOL).....	1	-	
Not sure.....	3	2	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

10e. Do you expect your children's generation to enjoy a higher standard of living than your generation?

	<u>6/96**</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/94</u> 4	<u>9/94</u> 4	<u>7/94</u>	<u>5/90</u> +	
Yes, expect children's generation to enjoy a higher standard of living.....	43	41	41	48	49	45	60	<b>[55]</b>
No, do not expect children's generation to enjoy a higher standard of living.....	48	51	52	46	45	50	37	
Not sure.....	9	8	7	6	6	5	3	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

11. In general, do you think it is better for the same political party to control both the Congress and the presidency, so they can work together more closely, or do you think it is better to have different political parties controlling the Congress and the presidency to prevent either one from going too far?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>10/92</u>	
										+
Better if same party controls Congress and the presidency.....	44	42	33	36	30	33	30	37	39	<b>[56]</b>
Better if different parties control Congress and the presidency.....	44	48	55	55	59	56	58	51	47	
Not sure.....	12	10	12	9	11	11	12	12	14	
	<u>9/92</u>	<u>8/92</u>	<u>7/92</u>	<u>4/92</u> +	<u>1/92</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>10/90</u> +	<u>1/90</u> +	<u>9/86</u> +	
	+	+	+		+	+				
	40	43	40	32	28	24	23	24	28	
	46	44	47	61	62	67	67	63	64	
	14	13	13	7	10	9	10	13	8	

12a. Let me read you some specific issues, and please tell me, on a scale of one to ten, how important each one will be to you in deciding your vote for president in 1996. If you feel an item is one of your top voting issues and it is extremely important to you, rate it as an "8", "9," or "10." If it is not important to you and will not be a factor in your voting decision, rate it as a "1," "2," or "3." And if it is important, but not one of your top issues, choose a number in the middle of the scale. You may use any number between one and ten, depending on how important that issue is to you personally.

Now, starting with (READ ITEM), how important is this in deciding who you will vote for as president?

	Mean	Extremely Important		Not Very Important		Cannot Rate	
		<u>10</u>	<u>8-9</u>	<u>4-7</u>	<u>1-3</u>		
Dealing with the economy*	8.1	26	48	24	2	-	[57]
Dealing with the issue of abortion*	5.9	21	20	29	27	3	[58]
Controlling government spending*	8.5	42	39	15	4	-	[59]
Dealing with Medicare*	8.3	40	37	18	5	-	[60]
Protecting the environment*	7.6	28	35	30	7	-	[61]
Dealing with crime*	8.7	50	34	15	1	-	[62]
Dealing with taxes*	8.2	35	38	23	4	-	[63]
Dealing with foreign policy*	7.0	16	32	41	10	1	[64]
Reforming the welfare system**	8.1	35	37	23	5	-	[65]
Reducing the drug problem**	8.5	51	27	19	3	-	[66]
Dealing with education**	8.7	51	30	15	3	1	[67]
Dealing with the problem of health care**	8.5	46	30	19	4	1	[68]
Promoting strong moral values**	8.2	48	23	21	7	1	[69]
Dealing with jobs and unemployment**	8.0	32	35	28	4	1	[70]
Reducing the federal deficit**	8.0	38	31	25	5	1	[71]
Dealing with affirmative action**	6.7	22	22	37	15	4	[72]

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\* Asked of one half the respondents (FORM B).

12b. Now I'm going to read this list again, and, for each item, I'd like you to tell me who you think would do a better job--Bill Clinton or Bob Dole. If you think both are about equal on this issue, just say so. First, (**READ ITEM**). Who do you think would do a better job -- Bill Clinton or Bob Dole?

	<u>Bill Clinton</u>	<u>Bob Dole</u>	<u>Both Equal</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Dealing with the economy*	37	34	20	9	[73]
Dealing with the issue of abortion*	40	32	15	13	[74]
Controlling government spending*	30	43	18	9	[75]
Dealing with Medicare*	46	34	10	10	[76]
Protecting the environment*	52	17	18	13	[77]
Dealing with crime*	33	33	24	10	[78]
Dealing with taxes*	31	44	15	10	[79]
Dealing with foreign policy*	33	36	20	11	[80]
Reforming the welfare system**	35	36	20	9	[81]
Reducing the drug problem**	30	33	25	12	[82]
Dealing with education**	47	28	18	7	[83]
Dealing with the problem of health care**	49	29	13	9	[84]
Promoting strong moral values**	23	49	18	10	[85]
Dealing with jobs and unemployment**	40	28	21	11	[86]
Reducing the federal deficit**	24	42	21	13	[87]
Dealing with affirmative action**	40	28	19	13	[88]

13a. In terms of his approach to the issues, do you think **Bill Clinton** tends to be liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>	
Liberal.....	40	38	44	[89]
Moderate.....	42	43	42	
Conservative.....	11	10	9	
Not sure.....	7	9	5	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

13b. How confident are you in Bill Clinton's honesty and truthfulness -- very confident, fairly confident, just somewhat confident, or not confident?

	<u>6/96**</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	
Very confident.....	15	14	[90]
Fairly confident.....	20	21	
Just somewhat confident.....	25	26	
Not confident.....	38	38	
Not sure.....	2	1	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

13c. Which of the following statements comes closest to your opinion of Bill Clinton? (**READ CHOICES.**)

	<u>6/96</u>	<u>4/21- 25/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>	
A) I like Bill Clinton personally, and I approve of most of his policies.....	35	33	31	[91]
B) I like Bill Clinton personally, but I disapprove of many of his policies.....	19	27	26	
C) I don't like Bill Clinton personally, but I do approve of most of his policies.....	14	12	9	
D) I don't like Bill Clinton personally, and I disapprove of many of his policies.....	28	25	31	
None of these (VOL).....	2	1	2	
Not sure.....	2	2	1	

14a. In terms of his approach to the issues, do you think **Bob Dole** tends to be liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	<u>6/96 *</u>	<u>12/95</u>	
Liberal.....	11	10	[92]
Moderate.....	28	31	
Conservative.....	51	45	
Not sure.....	10	14	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

14b. How confident are you in Bob Dole's honesty and truthfulness -- very confident, fairly confident, just somewhat confident, or not confident?

	<u>6/96 **</u>	<u>12/95</u>	
Very confident.....	20	17	[93]
Fairly confident.....	27	26	
Just somewhat confident.....	32	34	
Not confident.....	17	20	
Not sure.....	4	3	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

14c. Which of the following statements comes closest to your opinion of Bob Dole? (**READ CHOICES.**)

A) I like Bob Dole personally, and I approve of most of his policies.....	30	[94]
B) I like Bob Dole personally, but I disapprove of many of his policies.....	25	
C) I don't like Bob Dole personally, but I do approve of most of his policies.....	15	
D) I don't like Bob Dole personally, and I disapprove of many of his policies.....	22	
None of these (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	5	

15a. From your point of view, over the past two years has Bob Dole supported the positions of House Speaker Newt Gingrich too much, not enough, or about the right amount?\*

Too much.....	35	[95]
Not enough.....	9	
About the right amount.....	40	
Not sure.....	16	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

15b. Do you think the fact that Bob Dole will be seventy-three years old this year makes him more able to handle the duties of the presidency, less able to handle the duties of the presidency, or do you think that his age makes no difference in his ability to handle the duties of the presidency?

	<u>6/96**</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>4/21-25/95</u>	Ronald Reagan <u>2/84</u>
More able to handle the presidency.....	4	3	3	4
Less able to handle the presidency.....	32	31	30	21
Makes no difference.....	62	65	65	73
Not sure.....	2	1	2	2

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

15c. Let me read you five things you may learn about Bob Dole in the next few months. Please tell me which one or two, if any, will be important to you in deciding whether to support him.\*\*

His plan for cutting taxes.....	27	<b>[97]</b>
How he will deal with the budget deficit.....	26	>
What role Colin Powell will play in his Administration.....	18	
What positions he takes on moral and social issues.....	28	
Whom he selects for vice president.....	21	
All (VOL).....	5	
None (VOL).....	16	
Not sure.....	2	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

16. Now, I would like to read you a list of qualities that many people think are important in a president. Please tell me who you think is stronger on that quality--Bill Clinton or Bob Dole? If you think they are both equally strong on a particular quality, just say so. When it comes to (**READ ITEM**), who do you think is stronger--Bill Clinton or Bob Dole?

	Bill Clinton	Bob Dole	Both Equal	Neither (VOL)	Not Sure	
His ethical and moral values*.....	18	49	23	4	6	<b>[98]</b>
Caring about average people*.....	51	22	20	5	2	<b>[99]</b>
Serving as commander-in-chief*.....	33	44	17	2	4	<b>[100]</b>
Having a vision for the country's future*.....	40	30	20	4	6	<b>[101]</b>
Being effective and getting things done*.....	29	38	20	5	8	<b>[102]</b>
Being a strong leader*.....	32	40	21	3	4	<b>[103]</b>
Being consistent and standing up for his beliefs**..	24	43	25	5	3	<b>[104]</b>
Being likable and friendly**.....	57	13	26	2	2	<b>[105]</b>
Having the right policies for the country**.....	35	35	19	4	7	<b>[106]</b>
Appointing qualified people**.....	22	39	23	5	11	<b>[107]</b>
Having the courage to make difficult choices**.....	31	38	25	2	4	<b>[108]</b>
Understanding the problems facing Americans today**.....	37	30	26	5	2	<b>[109]</b>

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

**NOTE: QUESTIONS C1-C15 WERE ASKED OF ALL ADULTS**

**Now I would like to ask you a few questions about your health.**

C1. How would you rate your overall level of physical activity--are you very active, fairly active, somewhat active, slightly active, or not active at all? **(IF "NOT AT ALL ACTIVE," ASK:)** Are you prevented from being even slightly active because of your age, physical condition, or health, or are you not at all active mostly as a matter of choice?

Very active.....	38	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>[110]</b>
Fairly active.....	33		
Somewhat active.....	18		
Slightly active.....	7		
Not at all active/due to age, physical condition, or health.....	3		
Not at all active/by choice, or not sure why not at all active...	1	<b>SKIP TO Q.C3.</b>	
Not sure.....	-		

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE AT LEAST SLIGHTLY ACTIVE IN Q.C1)**

C2. How often do you exercise vigorously--that is, so that you breathe heavily and your heart is beating hard for a period lasting at least twenty minutes: never, less than one day a month, one to three days a month, one day a week, two days a week, three days a week, four days a week, five days a week, six days a week, or seven days a week?

	6/96	10/93 <sup>1</sup>	
Never.....	10	17	[111]
Less than one day a month.....	3	6	
1-3 days a month.....	7	8	
1 day a week.....	10	11	
2 days a week.....	12	12	
3 days a week.....	19	19	
4 days a week.....	8	13}	
5 days a week.....	9		
6 days a week.....	4	13}	
7 days a week.....	12		
Depends (VOL).....	1	1}	
Not sure.....	1		
Not At All Active/Not Sure (Q.C1).....	4		

<sup>1</sup>October 1993 Hart Research national survey.

**(ASK EVERYONE)**

C3. When it comes to your health -- staying fit, eating right, and keeping healthy -- which one of the following two statements comes closer to describing your approach:

STATEMENT A: Taking care of my health is important to me and something I think about regularly--health considerations count most for me.

STATEMENT B: Taking care of my health is not something I really think much about--health considerations are secondary for me.

Statement A/health considerations count most.....	82	[112]
Statement B/health considerations are secondary...	16	
Neither/other (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	1	

C4. I'm going to read you a list of some changes people say they would like to make regarding their own health, and I'd like you to indicate which ONE or TWO, if any, are the changes you would most like to make regarding your own personal health.\*

Lose ten pounds or more.....	35	[113]
Get rid of bad habits like smoking or drinking to excess.....	16	>
Increase the chances that you will live to at least age ninety.....	18	
Just feel better, with fewer aches and pains.....	19	
Be able to take part in any physical activity.....	9	
Improve your shape or your looks.....	14	
Provide your children with a good example of living a healthy life.....	39	
Other.....	2	
None (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	1	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

C5. For each of the following items I read, please tell me whether that describes you or does not describe you.

	Describes Respondent	Does NOT Describe Respondent	Not Sure/Refused	
Smoke more than half a pack of cigarettes every day.....	18	82	-	[114]
Have a chronic disease or condition that requires regular attention or medication.....	24	76	-	[115]
Use health vitamins and supplements, OR try to eat mostly organic foods*.....	51	48	1	[116]
Almost always read the label to find out about calories, fat, or salt content before buying foods**.....	62	37	1	[117]
Have a very high stress job OR very frequently feel a great deal of stress** .....	43	56	1	[118]
Seriously restrict the amount of red meat you eat**.....	46	53	1	[119]
Have checked BOTH your blood pressure AND cholesterol levels within the past year*.....	80	20	-	[120]
Could easily run or jog one mile without stopping*.....	46	51	3	[121]
Have a family doctor*.....	85	14	1	[122]
Drink three or more cups of coffee a day*.....	26	74	-	[123]
Regularly do yoga, meditation, or other stress-reducing exercises**.....	23	77	-	[124]
Visited a hospital emergency room OR spent more than twenty-four hours in the hospital in the past year**.....	19	81	-	[125]
Drink an alcoholic beverage almost every day.....	11	89	-	[126]

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

C6. If you had to pick one, which would you choose--to be five years younger or weigh fifteen pounds less?

Be five years younger.....	51	[127]
Weigh 15 pounds less.....	39	
Neither/other (VOL).....	5	
Both (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	1	

C7. Which ONE of the following two statements comes closer to describing your opinion about who has a healthier life--people in your generation or people your parents' age back when they were the age you are now:

STATEMENT A: People your age live a healthier life, because there is more information and awareness of diet and fitness, advances in medicine, and more health foods and health products available.

OR

STATEMENT B: People in your parents' generation were living a healthier life when they were your age, because there was less stress, more wholesome food, and less exposure to cancer-causing chemicals and pollution.

Statement A/people respondent's age live a healthier life.....	52	[128]
Statement B/people in parents' generation were living a healthier life when they were respondent's age.....	42	
Both (VOL).....	4	
Neither/other (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	1	

C8. Which ONE or TWO of the following items are things that would make you happiest to be able to do without worrying about the effect on your health?\*\*

Drink all the coffee you want.....	13	[129]
Get a good tan without worrying about exposure to the sun.....	17	>
Have sex without taking safe-sex health precautions.....	18	
Smoke cigarettes or cigars.....	9	
Eat all the ice cream, chips, chocolate, or other high-salt and high-fat foods you want.....	38	
Stay up late at night.....	13	
Drink all the alcoholic beverages you want.....	5	
Other.....	1	
None (VOL).....	16	
Not sure.....	1	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

C9. When it comes to your weight, would you say you are at least five pounds overweight or underweight?

**(IF "YES," ASK:)** Are you overweight or underweight?

**(IF "OVERWEIGHT," ASK:)** Are you more than twenty pounds overweight, ten to twenty pounds overweight, or five to ten pounds overweight?

**(IF "UNDERWEIGHT," ASK:)** Are you more than twenty pounds underweight, ten to twenty pounds underweight, or five to ten pounds underweight?

Ideal weight/NOT overweight or underweight by 5 or more pounds.....	21	<b>[130]</b>
<b>Overweight:</b>		
20 pounds overweight or more.....	13	
10-20 pounds overweight.....	18	
5-10 pounds overweight.....	32	
<b>Underweight:</b>		
5-10 pounds underweight.....	11	
10-20 pounds underweight.....	2	
20 pounds underweight or more.....	1	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

C10. Are you presently covered or not covered by health insurance?

<u>Covered by health insurance.....</u>	87	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>[131]</b>
<u>Not covered by health insurance...</u>	13	<b>SKIP TO</b>	
Not sure.....	-	<b>Q.C12</b>	

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE COVERED BY HEALTH INSURANCE IN Q.C10)**

C11. Which of the following more closely describes the type of health care plan you currently have? Well, which one is closer to your plan?

A managed care health plan, such as an "HMO" or "PPO," where certain doctors and hospitals belong to the plan, and you receive more complete coverage when you use those doctors or hospitals, OR.....	50	<b>[132]</b>
A traditional health insurance plan, where your coverage is the same no matter which doctors or hospitals you use.....	44	
Both/combination (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	3	

**(ASK EVERYONE)**

C12. People sometimes put off or avoid going to see their doctors because of the cost. Within the past year, how often has it happened that you personally put off or avoided a doctor's visit because of the cost--never, one time, two times, three times, or more than three times in the past year?

Never put off/avoided doctor visit because of cost.....	77	<b>[133]</b>
Happened one time.....	6	
Happened two times.....	7	
Happened three times.....	3	
Happened more than three times.....	6	
Not sure.....	1	

C13. When you retire, how much of your medical costs do you think will be covered by Medicare--almost all of your medical costs, most of them, some of them, a very small portion, or none at all when you retire?

Almost all of them.....	8	<b>[134]</b>
Most of them.....	16	
Some of them.....	24	
A very small portion of them.....	25	
None of them at all.....	17	
Not sure.....	10	

C14. What age do you realistically expect to live to?

70 or less.....	19	<b>[135-137]</b>
71-75.....	15	
76-80.....	24	
81-85.....	15	
86-90.....	11	
More than 90.....	8	
Not sure/refused.....	8	

C15. As you may know, physician-assisted suicide involves a doctor giving a terminally ill patient the means to end his or her life, such as a prescription for a fatal dose of a drug. Do you think it should be legal or illegal for a doctor to help a terminally ill patient commit suicide?

Legal.....	57	<b>[138]</b>
Illegal.....	34	
Not sure.....	9	

**Now turning to some other topics...**

17a. Which of these federal budgets would you prefer -- a budget that reduces taxes more, even if that means larger reductions in programs; or a budget that makes smaller reductions in programs, even if that means taxes are not reduced as much?

<u>6/96*</u>	<u>12/9</u>	
	5	
Reduces taxes more.....	31	29
Makes smaller reductions.....	60	65
Not sure.....	9	6

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

17b. Which of these do you think is the better way to increase economic growth--(ROTATE) an across-the-board cut in federal income taxes, or a major reduction in the federal budget deficit?\*\*

Across-the-board cut in federal income taxes.....	35	<b>[140]</b>
A major reduction in the federal budget deficit.....	49	
Not sure.....	16	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

18a. Would you prefer an income tax system that taxes both income from investments and income from wages equally, or a system with higher taxes on income from wages but no taxes on income from investments?

<u>6/96**</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>9/9</u>	<u>4/21</u>
		5	25/9

Prefer income tax system that taxes both income from investments and income from wages equally..... 55 41 54 57 **[141]**

Prefer system with higher taxes on income from wages but no taxes on income from investments.....	29	36	30	32
Neither (VOL).....	4	3	-	-
Both equal (VOL).....	4	5	5	3
Not sure.....	8	15	11	8

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

<sup>1</sup> Prior to June 1996, "neither" was phrased "depends."

18b. Do you favor or oppose raising the minimum wage from four dollars and twenty-five cents an hour to five dollars and fifteen cents an hour over a three-year period? And do you strongly support/oppose raising the minimum wage or do you somewhat support/oppose raising the minimum wage?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>5/96</u>	
	*	+	
<b>Support Raising the Minimum Wage</b>			
Strongly support.....	60	57	[142]
Somewhat support.....	20	20	
<b>Oppose Raising the Minimum Wage</b>			
Strongly oppose.....	7	9	
Somewhat oppose.....	9	10	
<b>Not Sure</b> .....	4	4	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

19a. All in all, do you favor or oppose affirmative action programs for minorities and women?

Do you strongly favor or somewhat favor affirmative action programs for minorities and women?

Do you strongly oppose or somewhat oppose affirmative action programs for minorities and women?\*

**Favor Affirmative Action Programs**

Strongly favor.....	25	<b>[143]</b>
Somewhat favor.....	25	

**Oppose Affirmative Action Programs**

Strongly oppose.....	19	
Somewhat oppose.....	19	
<b>Not Sure</b> .....	12	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

19b. Which of the following best represents your views about abortion?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>5/96</u>	<u>3/9</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>7/9</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>7/90</u>	
	*	+	6	5	1			
The choice on abortion should be left up to the woman and her doctor.....	60	55	56	60	60	57	57	<b>[144]</b>
Abortion should be legal only in cases where pregnancy results from rape or incest, or when the life of the woman is at risk.....	29	35	31	28	31	36	33	
Abortion should be illegal in all circumstances.....	9	7	10	10	8	7	8	
Not sure.....	2	3	3	2	1	-	2	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Asked only of registered voters.

20a. In your opinion, is it very important that the Republican presidential and vice presidential nominees have a pro-life position on abortion, very important that they have a pro-choice position on abortion, or is their position on abortion not as important to you as other issues?

	<u>All Voters</u>	<u>Republicans</u>			<b>[145]</b>
		<u>6/96**</u>	<u>6/96**</u>	<u>10/95</u>	
Very important for nominees to be pro-life.....	17	28	28	30	
Very important for nominees to be pro-choice.....	25	14	27	23	
Not as important as other issues.....	53	57	42	41	
Not sure.....	5	1	3	6	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

20b. Some of Bob Dole's supporters want him to call for a fifteen percent across-the-board reduction in federal income taxes. If Bob Dole takes that position, would you feel that it is (**ROTATE**) a commitment you agree with and that makes you more likely to support Bob Dole, or a political gimmick that does not make you more likely to support Bob Dole?\*

A commitment that you agree with and that makes you more likely to support Bob Dole.....	20	<b>[146]</b>
A political gimmick that does not make you more likely to support Bob Dole.....	70	
Not sure.....	10	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

21a. Do you think President Clinton is telling the truth or not telling the truth about his personal finances and his involvement in the Whitewater affair?

	<u>6/96</u> *	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>5/94</u>	
President Clinton is telling the truth.....	25	24	36	43	[147]
President Clinton is not telling the truth.....	55	49	45	34	
Not sure.....	20	27	19	23	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

21b. And do you think Hillary Rodham Clinton is telling the truth or not telling the truth about her personal finances and her involvement in the Whitewater affair?

	<u>6/96</u> *	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/9</u> 6	<u>7/9</u> 5	<u>5/94</u>	
Hillary Rodham Clinton is telling the truth.....	18	22	27	29	39	[14 6]
Hillary Rodham Clinton is not telling the truth.....	62	55	53	39	41	
Not sure.....	20	23	20	32	20	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

21c. Do you think that the criticisms made of Hillary Rodham Clinton are mostly justified on their merits, or are mostly a result of the fact that she is a woman in a prominent position?\*

Criticisms are justified on their merits.....	38	<b>[149]</b>
Criticisms are a result of the fact that she is a woman in a prominent position	50	
Neither (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	9	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

22a. Do you believe that President Clinton committed financial wrongdoing in the matter of the Whitewater Development Corporation in Arkansas, or do you believe that the issue is just being used against him for political purposes? If you feel that you do not know enough about the issue to have an opinion, please just say so.

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/9</u> 4	
President Clinton committed financial wrongdoing.....	35	27	23	16	[150]
Issue is just being used for political purposes.....	35	35	42	34	
Don't know enough to say.....	14	31	25	41	
Both, Clinton did wrong, <u>and</u> issue is being used for political purposes (VOL).....	8	3	5	4	
Not sure.....	8	4	5	5	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

22b. Based on what you have heard or read about the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, has this situation made you feel less favorable toward Bill Clinton, or has it not really affected your opinion of the President one way or the other?

	<u>6/96*</u>	<u>1/94</u>	
Opinion has become less favorable.....	30	21	
Has not affected opinion.....	67	76	
Not sure.....	3	3	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

22c. As you may know, the Senate Whitewater committee recently issued a report that was very critical of Hillary Rodham Clinton and certain Clinton Administration officials. In your view, was this report mainly a fair investigation of the Whitewater issue, or mainly a partisan attack on the Administration by congressional Republicans?\*

Mainly a fair investigation.....	37	[152]
Mainly a partisan attack.....	44	
Not sure.....	19	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

23a. As you may know, the Clinton Administration has acknowledged that its staff asked the FBI for about four hundred background files on various people, including some prominent Republicans. The Administration says the request for the files was a simple bureaucratic mistake, in which its security staff was doing research off of an old list. Others charge that the Administration was looking for damaging political information on its opponents. Do you think the request for FBI files was a bureaucratic mistake or a search for information about opponents?\*\*

A bureaucratic mistake.....	17	[153]
A search for information about opponents.....	68	
Not sure.....	15	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

23b. Based on what you have heard or read about the Clinton Administration's obtaining FBI files it was not supposed to have, has this situation made you feel less favorable toward Bill Clinton, or has it not really affected your opinion of the President one way or the other?\*\*

Feel less favorable toward Bill Clinton.....	34	[154]
It has not really affected opinion.....	61	
Not sure.....	5	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

24. Congress is considering punishing foreign companies that do business with Cuba, Iran, and Libya by preventing them from selling products in the U.S. Do you favor or oppose this proposal?\*\*

Favor.....	62	[155]
Oppose.....	24	
Not sure.....	14	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

**NOTE: QUESTIONS F1a-F1d WERE ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS; F2-F13 WERE ASKED OF ALL ADULTS**

**FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.**

F1a. Did you happen to vote in the 1994 election for your congressional district for House of Representatives?

Did you vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate for Congress?

**Yes, Voted**

Democratic candidate.....	36	[156]
Republican candidate .....	36	
None (VOL)/not sure/refused.....	6	
<b>No, Did Not Vote.....</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>Not Sure If Voted.....</b>	<b>6</b>	

F1b. Did you happen to vote in the 1992 presidential election?

For whom did you vote--George Bush, the Republican, Bill Clinton, the Democrat, or Ross Perot, the Independent?

**Yes, Voted**

George Bush.....	35	{200}
Bill Clinton .....	38	
Ross Perot.....	12	
None (VOL)/not sure/refused.....	2	
<b>No, Did Not Vote.....</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>Not Sure If Voted/Refused.....</b>	<b>2</b>	

F1c. In 1988, did you vote for George Bush or Michael Dukakis, or didn't you vote in that presidential election?

George Bush.....	54	[157]
Michael Dukakis .....	19	
Neither (VOL).....	1	
Did not vote.....	19	
Not sure.....	7	

F1d. And in 1984, did you vote for Ronald Reagan or Walter Mondale, or didn't you vote in that presidential election?

Ronald Reagan.....	48	[158]
Walter Mondale.....	19	
Neither (VOL).....	1	
Did not vote.....	24	
Not sure.....	8	

F2. Thinking about the last few state and national elections in which you have voted, which best describes the candidates for whom you voted?

Almost all Republicans.....	12	{251}
Mostly Republicans, but a few Democrats.....	20	
A few more Republicans than Democrats.....	6	
The same number of Republicans and Democrats. .	12	
A few more Democrats than Republicans.....	5	
Mostly Democrats, but a few Republicans.....	15	
Almost all Democrats.....	17	
Not sure.....	13	

F3a. In politics today, do you generally consider yourself to be very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, very conservative, or do you think your views cannot really be described in those terms?

Very liberal.....	6	{201}
Somewhat liberal.....	17	
Moderate.....	26	

Somewhat conservative.....	22
Very conservative.....	10
Views cannot be described in those terms.....	15
Not sure.....	4

F3b. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else?

Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)?

Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	19	<b>{202}</b>
Not very strong Democrat.....	14	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	9	
Strictly independent.....	15	
Independent/lean Republican.....	10	
Not very strong Republican.....	9	
Strong Republican.....	13	
Other.....	6	
Not sure/nothing.....	5	

F4. What is the last grade you completed in school

Grade school.....	2	<b>{203}</b>
Some high school.....	7	
High school graduate.....	30	
Some college, no degree.....	18	
Vocational training, 2-year college.....	11	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	17	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	3	
2-3 years' postgraduate work, master's degree.....	8	
Doctoral degree/law degree.....	2	
Not sure.....	2	

F5. How old are you? Well, can you tell me which age group you belong to? Are you in the age group 18 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, or 65 and over?

18-24.....	10	<b>{204}</b>
25-29.....	9	
30-34.....	12	
35-39.....	10	
40-44.....	11	
45-49.....	10	
50-54.....	7	
55-59.....	6	
60-64.....	6	
65 and over.....	17	
Refused.....	2	

F6a. What type of work do you do

Professional/manager.....	24	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>{205}</b>
White collar worker.....	18		
Blue collar worker.....	22		
Farmer.....	1		
Student.....	3	<b>SKIP TO Q.F7.</b>	
Homemaker.....	5		
Retired.....	22		
Unemployed.....	3		
Never worked/not sure.....	2		

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE EMPLOYED IN Q.F6a.)**

F6b. And do you work on a full-time basis or a part-time basis?

Employed full time.....	81	<b>{225}</b>
Employed part time.....	15	
Not sure.....	4	

**(ASK EVERYONE:)**

F7. What is your marital status--are you single and never married, married, separated, divorced, or widowed?

Single.....	23	<b>{220}</b>
Married.....	55	
Separated.....	2	
Divorced.....	10	
Widowed.....	8	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F8a. In what religion were you brought up?

Protestant.....	52	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>{207}</b>
Catholic.....	31		
Jewish.....	2		
Other.....	9		
None.....	3		
Not sure/refused.....	3		

**(ASK ONLY OF PROTESTANTS IN Q.F8a)**

F8b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Yes, fundamentalist/evangelical/both .....	16	<b>{208}</b>
No, neither fundamentalist or evangelical.....	32	
Not sure.....	4	
Non-Protestants (Q.F8a).....	48	

**(ASK EVERYONE:)**

F9. Are you, or is any member of your household, a member of a labor union?

Labor union member.....	10	<b>{213}</b>
Labor union household.....	7	
Nonunion household.....	80	
Not sure.....	3	

F10. For each of the following descriptions I read, please tell me if this applies to you personally. First, **(READ ITEM)** -- does that apply to you or doesn't it?

	<u>Applies</u>	Does Not Apply	Not Sure	
A supporter of conservative Christian political organizations, such as the Christian Coalition.....	13	81	6	<b>[159]</b>
Regularly use the Internet or other on-line computer information services, either at home or at work.....	23	74	3	<b>[160]</b>
A regular listener to political call-in shows on the radio.....	27	71	2	<b>[161]</b>
A supporter of the National Rifle Association, or NRA.....	24	71	5	<b>[162]</b>
Grew up in a house with parents who generally voted for Democratic candidates.....	46	39	15	<b>[163]</b>

F11. Are you white, black, Hispanic, Asian, or something else?

White.....	78	<b>{214}</b>
Black.....	11	
Hispanic.....	5	
Asian.....	2	
Other.....	2	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F12. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than \$10,000, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, between \$20,000 and \$30,000, between \$30,000 and \$40,000, between \$40,000 and \$50,000, between \$50,000 and \$75,000, between \$75,000 and \$100,000, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000.....	6	<b>{216}</b>
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	11	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	15	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	14	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	12	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	17	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	7	
More than \$100,000.....	7	
Not sure/refused.....	11	

F13. This survey is being conducted as part of continuing coverage of national issues by NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*. A few reporters assigned to this story will be calling back a selected number of participants to get additional insights. Would you have any objection to being contacted?

<b>RECORD YOUR EVALUATION BELOW</b>			<b>{217}</b>
Do not object.....	80		
Object--do not call.....	20	<b>SKIP EVALUATION</b>	